

Monday		<i>Clergy day off</i>	<i>Parish Office closed</i>
23 Sep	1pm	Order of St Luke in Parish Centre	
	3.30-6pm	Crossroads Dance Group	
Tuesday			
24 Sep	10am	Dixon House Devotions (Marge)	
	2pm	Ladies Fellowship in Trinity Lounge	
	3.30-6pm	Crossroads Dance Group	
	7.30pm	Marjorie's Home Group at 9 Heaphy St	
Wednesday			
25 Sep	2pm	Cobden-Runanga AAW at Cobden Church	
	3.30-7pm	Crossroads Dance Group	
	6pm	Young Adults Group at 35 Karoro Place	
	7.30pm	Lavers' Home Group, 18c Serpentine Rd	
	7.30pm	Robin's Home Group in Parish Centre	
Thursday			
26 Sep	9am	Bible in Schools (Launchpad) at Paroa School	
	3.30-7pm	Crossroads Dance Group	
	5.30pm	Music Practice in Church	
	6:45pm	SOULFOOD at 35 Karoro PI	
Friday			
27 Sep	10am	Kids 'n Coffee (last one for this term)	
	3.30-5.30pm	Crossroads Dance Group	
	7pm	The SHED Youth Group at 186 Main South Rd	
Sunday			
29 Sept	6.30pm	The Way Youth Service at The Shed 186 Main South Rd	
	7pm	ALPHA Course in Parish Centre	

Services Next Weekend: 28 & 29 September 2019 (School Holidays 1st weekend)

SATURDAY:	
6pm	Communion (Prayer Book, Hymns, Reflective)
SUNDAY :	
8am	Holy Communion (Quiet & reflective, no music. Finishes by 8.50am)
NO!!	NO!! Oasis (7-11yr olds) & Sunday School (4-7yr olds) in Trinity Hall
10am	Family Communion (Songs and hymns)
2pm	Holy Communion
6.30pm	The Way Youth Service at The SHED (186 Main South Road)
KUMARA	No Service



Anglican Parish of Greymouth & Kumara
21st & 22nd September 2019

Blessed to be a Blessing
Growing Disciples of Jesus

Theme for this weekend: Who is your Master?

Readings for this weekend: Amos 8:4-7 (p.1168); Luke 16:1-13 (p.1342)

Prayer for the Day: Heavenly Father, may we be faithful in things small and great, serve the needy and the poor, and invest in the spread of the Gospel, so that finally we can be entrusted with your true riches; through Jesus, the Christ, our Lord, who is alive with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Theme for next weekend: Spirituals (Peter Wetherall)

Readings for next weekend: Zechariah 9:16-17 Colossians 3:1-4 ,15-17

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

For those who use the envelope system for their offerings, a new set of envelopes covering the 6 month period from October to March is available. Please collect your named set from the table in the foyer. If you are expecting a set and it is not there, please chat to Marge or Robin or Nicky. Remember that any giving that is recorded via the envelope scheme or online banking will receive a receipt at the end of March that can be filed with IR for a tax rebate. For more information on this, please chat to Marge, Robin or Nicky.

Right Now Media last week. The gastro virus that hit her late on Saturday night was not fully gone until Friday. Then, when she started to carry on with the invites, she came across some questions and technical issues which, unfortunately, she will not have answers to until next week. All going to plan, the invites should be able to be sent out on Tuesday.

KEEPING FAITH WITH HOPE

An Ecumenical Prayer Service to celebrate the beginning of Spring will be held at 2pm **THIS Sunday, 22 September at St. Patrick's Catholic Church** on High Street. The theme for the service will be "Season of Creation."

RIGHT NOW MEDIA LAUNCH

Marge's apologies for not getting the email invitations to the parish for signing up to

Prayer Requests to Joanna Lorimer—027 380 2989

Last week: Attendance: 162 Offertory: \$ 3,115 (Total needed: \$3,580)
 Donations contributed to 186 Main South Rd Project by end of August: **\$5,163**
 Donations received in September will be reported by mid-October

FLOWERS



Jeanette & Rose

CHURCH CLEANING



Julie Williams

CHURCH MOWING



Trevor



Marge Writes

I remember as a kid, when my siblings and I would be playing a bit more rambunctiously indoors than might have been safe, Dad would step in to calm things down and often say, "It's all fun and games until someone gets hurt." Begrudgingly we would settle down, but, as I grew older, I had to admit he was right.

Health and Safety awareness is important and practice of safe procedures is becoming far more normalised in our society. Health and Safety is now a permanent agenda item at our Vestry meetings and I am pleased that Vestry members, staff, and parishioners are all becoming more attuned at recognizing risks around the place and either doing something about it or notifying appropriate persons of the danger.

Just a reminder that there is a red booklet on the foyer notice board under the fire alarm switch labelled "Hazards" in which you can note any hazard you notice and it will be attended to. At this same location are also "Incident Reports." If you are injured or witness someone being injured (regardless of severity), please complete the form and turn into the Parish Office for us to follow-up.

At our most recent Vestry meeting we signed off on this year's Parish Risk Assessment Summary. I am pleased to say that while we are not fully compliant with all of the diocesan policies, we are much further

along than a year ago. My thanks to Robin and Vestry members for the hard work that they do in this area.

Providing a safe environment is in keeping with God's guidelines for living. So many of the OT rules were given to God's people to protect them from injury and disease. Thank you for your patience when, from time to time, we need to have an evacuation drill or when you are asked to tape down an electrical cord or complete a risk assessment for an activity or....

With love and blessings, *Marge*

HOW'S IT GOING?

Sometimes when we read the Scriptures we say, "Ouch!" because we realize that our lives are not lining up with God's word. Our culture would say, "Get over it. We've moved passed that now in our understanding." True there are some things mandated by the OT that are no longer required since Jesus' death and resurrection (e.g. animal sacrifices), but anything that is either encouraged or forbidden in both OT and NT is still in play and a genuine follower of Jesus must recognize where his or her life falls short of God's ways and repent and ask for His help to change.

Paul puts it so well--"All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It straightens us out and teaches us to do what is right. It is God's way of preparing us in every way, fully equipped for every good thing God wants us to do." (2 Timothy 3:16-17 NLT). So, how's it going?

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LADIES FELLOWSHIP

Our September meeting is next **Tuesday 24th at 2pm in Trinity Lounge**. There is a change of program and our new topic is "Kitchens". Tell us about your **useful kitchen gadgets** and also your **handy kitchen hints**.

LADIES GUILD

The October meeting is on **Tuesday 1st at 1.30pm**. Gather at the Parish Centre for a short meeting and then **if the weather is OK** we will have a **picnic afternoon in Dixon Park**.

HOLY SPIRIT WEEKEND

The Buller Anglican Parish is holding its 5th Annual Holy Spirit Conference on **Friday night and Saturday 27/28 September**. The speakers are Andy & Liz Goodacre from Tasmania. Topic: "Equipped by the Spirit to be God's Family on Mission."

There are brochures in the foyer. Take one if you are interested. Cost: \$25.

Marge and Robin have already booked both for the conference, and accommodation.

VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED FOR DEVOTIONS AT DIXON HOUSE

Our parish takes responsibility for leading devotions at Dixon House every Tuesday morning from 10am to 10.20am. We do this on a roster basis, and we are looking for a few more volunteers to help monthly. We have a pianist available.

It involves having a little talk suitable for the residents, and having one or two prayers and singing a couple of hymns/songs from their hymnbook. Total time is about 20 minutes.

If you think this is something you could do as a Christian ministry, do chat to Marge.

ALPHA COURSE REFRESHMENTS

We are looking for either a dessert or some home baking each Sunday evening at 7pm. Food can be brought to one of the Sunday services, and put in the church kitchen fridge, or brought along to the Parish Centre just before 7pm. There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer. We are catering for about **18** people.

There are still a few spaces to fill.

KIDS 'N' COFFEE

Kids 'n' Coffee is a preschool play group on Friday mornings during term time. It is an outreach of our parish to provide a place for parents, grandparents and care givers to bring preschool children for a safe and fun filled play time. The parents are responsible to supervise their children, but we make sure the toys and activities are set up and put away, serve morning tea, and interact with the adults and children as appropriate.

If you are free from 9-11:45am on Fridays and think this might be a ministry in which you might like to be involved, please talk to Marge.

BTC STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

Enquiries for part-time, full-time and internship-based study at Bishopdale College in 2020 are now open. Applications for scholarships from the St John's College Trust Board close 30 September for first semester study. If you are interested in finding out more about options and funding available, visit www.bishopdale.ac.nz/prospectus, or get in touch with the College Director, Kate Tyler by calling 027 544 2208 or emailing kate@bishopdale.ac.nz. Study by video-link is available for those who don't live in Nelson.

ODD JOBS DONE - REASONABLE RATES

Gardening, lawn mowing, small painting jobs, tree cutting and trimming (chainsaw tickets), small carpentry work, fences etc. Contact Tony Woollett 768 4323 or 027 217 1271.

UNAVAILABILITY DATES

If you serve on the weekend service roster, please forward your unavailability dates for 1 Nov 2019 - 29 Feb 2020 to Nicky at office@greymouthanglican.co.nz. Marge will begin working on next roster in a couple of weeks. Many thanks for your prompt replies and your willingness to serve the church in this way.